

Neil Peart Commemorative Task Force

Minutes

Thursday, November 19, 2020

Electronic Participation at 5:00pm

Attendance:

Chair, David DeRocco, Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee Member
Vice-Chair, Meghan Symyk
Mayor Walter Sendzik
Councillor Carlos Garcia
Councillor Bruce Williamson
Christopher O'Connor
Stephen Remus, Public Art Advisory Committee Member

Absent:

John Howe
Tony McLaughlin
Mark Hoerd, Heritage Advisory Committee Member

Staff Liaison:

Phil Cristi, Director of Community, Recreation and Culture Services
Eric Lamothe, Manager of Strategic and Business Services
Kathleen Powell, Supervisor of Historical Services

1. Call meeting to order (Chair DeRocco)

Chair DeRocco called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

2. Recognition of Traditional Territories

Chair DeRocco acknowledged that the land on which the Neil Peart Commemorative Task Force meets today is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe peoples, many of whom continue to live and work here today. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties and is within the land protected by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum agreement. Today this gathering place is home to many First Nations, Metis, and Inuit Peoples. Acknowledging this is a reminder that our great standard of living is directly related to the resources and friendship of Indigenous people.

3. **Additions / Deletions to the Agenda**

There were none.

4. **Motion to approve the agenda**

Moved by: Councillor Garcia

That the November 19, 2020 agenda of the Neil Peart Commemorative Task Force be approved.

CARRIED

5. **Declarations of Interest**

None were declared.

6. **Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting**

Moved by: Stephen Remus

That the October 15, 2020 minutes of the Neil Peart Commemorative Task Force be approved.

CARRIED

7. **Business**

7.1 Fundraising Sub-Committee

a. Updates

Eric Lamothe provided updates regarding fundraising for the Neil Peart Memorial that were requested by the Task Force at the October 15, 2020 meeting:

- There are no maximum threshold for donations towards the memorial
- Staff are working towards an online donations page
- If any Task Force member is approached by a donor that would like to donate in the short term (cash, cheque, credit card), please direct them to Eric
- Fundraising campaign materials such as a FAQ, brochure and a communications strategy will be developed once additional details are determined by the Task Force

b. Sub-Committee Composition

Moved by: Councillor Williamson

That the Neil Peart Commemorative Task Force appoint

- David DeRocco
- Christopher O'Connor
- Meghan Symyk

to the Neil Peart Commemorative Task Force Fundraising sub-committee.

CARRIED

Moved by: Stephen Remus

That the Neil Peart Commemorative Task Force appoint Meghan Symysk as the Chair of the Fundraising Sub-Committee.

CARRIED

Moved by: Councillor Garcia

That the Neil Peart Commemorative Task Force appoint Christopher O'Connor as the Vice-Chair of the Fundraising Sub-Committee.

CARRIED

7.2 Memorial Procurement Process

Kathleen Powell provided an update that staff are currently developing the Expression of Interest (EOI) as per the City's Public Art Policy and Procurement policies. The Task Force was given a high-level overview of the EOI that is currently in development. Stephen Remus will provide comments directly to Kathleen for consideration. The EOI is nearing completion and should be ready for a review within the next few weeks.

7. Date of next meetings

December 17th, 2020

Eric to provide the Task Force with new date options for the December meeting.

January 21st, 2021

February 18th, 2021

March 18th, 2021

April 15th, 2021

May 27th, 2021

June 24th, 2021

All Meeting times scheduled for 5:00pm to 7:00pm

8. Motion to Adjourn

Moved by: Meghan Symysk

That the meeting of the Neil Peart Commemorative Task Force be adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

CARRIED